

Oath of Office—Twenty-Third Congressional District of New York: Representative-elect William L. Owens presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a facsimile copy of a letter from Mr. Todd D. Valentine and Mr. Robert A. Brehm, Co-Executive Directors of the New York State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held November 3, 2009, the Honorable William L. Owens was elected Representative to Congress for the Twenty-Third Congressional District, State of New York.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from New York, Mr. Owens, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 435.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the victims of the violence in Orlando, Florida today, November 6, 2009.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Thursday, November 5th:

Corporal Joseph A. Tomci Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3788, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3900 Darrow Road in Stow, Ohio, as the “Corporal Joseph A. Tomci Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 415 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 867 and

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Jack F. Kemp Post Office Building Designation Act: S. 1211, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 60 School Street, Orchard Park, New York, as the “Jack F. Kemp Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 408 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 868.

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Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Act of 2009: The House passed H.R. 2868, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to extend, modify, and recodify the authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security to enhance security and protect against acts of terrorism against chemical facilities, by a recorded vote of 230 yeas to 193 noes, Roll No. 875. Consideration of the measure began on Thursday, November 5th.

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Rejected the Dent motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith

with amendments, by a recorded vote of 189 yeas to 236 noes, Roll No. 874;

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–327 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the 5-minute rule, in lieu of the amendments in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committees on Homeland Security and Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance security and protect against acts of terrorism against chemical facilities, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to enhance the security of public water systems, and to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to enhance the security of wastewater treatment works, and for other purposes.”.

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Agreed to:

Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that establishes a point of contact within the Office of Chemical Facility Security responsible for interagency coordination. Requires the Secretary to liaise with State Emergency Response Commissions and Local Emergency Planning Committees to update emergency planning and training procedures;

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Flake amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that prevents earmarking in a new grant program established in the bill, and clarifies that Congress presumes that grants awarded through that program will be awarded on a competitive basis, and if they are not, requires the Secretary to submit a report to Congress as to why not;

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Schrader amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that requires DHS to conduct a study on the scope and potential impacts of the provisions that require the use of safer processes or chemicals on manufacturers or retailers of pesticide or fertilizer;

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Halvorson amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that permits the Secretary to provide guidance, tools, methodologies, or software to assist small covered chemical facilities in complying with the security requirements;

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Foster amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that directs the Secretary to establish appropriate protocols and security procedures for covered chemical facilities that are also Universities and Academic labs, separate from commercial chemical facilities; and

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Thompson (MS) manager’s amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that makes a number of technical corrections and fixes typos and verbiage